

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 537

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Grant Strong of Clay County High School upon being named TSSAA Class A Mr. Basketball.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should recognize those incredibly successful student athletes who have distinguished themselves as inspirational leaders among their peers; and

WHEREAS, a statewide committee of sportswriters recently named Grant Strong, a junior at Clay County High School, TSSAA Class A Mr. Basketball based upon his outstanding performance on the hardwood during the 2020-2021 regular season; and

WHEREAS, his superior academic record and upstanding character were also taken into consideration when the committee selected Mr. Strong as the winner of this prestigious award, which honors the best Class A male basketball player in the entire State; and

WHEREAS, a 6-foot, 5-inch guard for the Clay County Bulldogs, Mr. Strong enjoyed a stellar season on the hardwood as he led the Clay County Bulldogs to the program's first State Championship title; and

WHEREAS, he was rightfully named the State Tournament MVP after averaging 31 points and 10 rebounds per game during the Bulldogs three-game run to the State crown; he averaged an equally remarkable 31 points, 9 rebounds, 4 assists, and 2 steals during the regular season; and

WHEREAS, a tremendous athlete, Grant Strong scored a career-high 48 points against Monterey earlier this season and scored 40 or more points on four occasions and at least 30 points in nineteen games to reach right at 1,000 points for the season; and

WHEREAS, more than just a scoring machine, Mr. Strong also led his team in rebounds, assists, and steals as he worked hard in every aspect of the game, winning the admiration of coaches and basketball fans from across the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Strong exemplifies the spirit, determination, and perseverance for which Tennesseans are notable, and he is richly deserving of our approbation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Grant Strong of Clay County High School upon being named TSSAA Class A Mr. Basketball and wish him much continued success both on and off the court.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.